

Remarks

Claim Rejections 35 USC 112 and 35 USC 103

The Examiner indicates in the previous office action that Claims 19 and 21 may be allowable if amended to describe the structure shown in Figure 12. Kindly note that we have amended claims 19 and 21 as per the suggestion of the Examiner and we have used two particular terms namely "crisscross" which the Examiner will note finds support in the as filed specification in paragraph [0040] of the specification and also the word "de-equalize" which again finds support in paragraph [0042] of the originally filed specification. This amendment overcomes the 34 USC 112 objection raised by the Examiner as Claims 19, 21 now claim the structure depicted in Figure 12. No new matter has been added and finds support in the specification as discussed above.

Furthermore, the structure now claimed is not rendered obvious nor anticipated by the Halter patent, and I refer the Examiner to the previous arguments made in our office action to the Examiner dated July 8, 2004.

We now submit that this application is in a condition of allowance and look forward to receiving your positive reply, I remain.

Yours very truly,



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